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Classified By: DCM Edwin Nolan for reasons 1.4 (b),(d)

1. (SBU) SUMMARY: The Netherlands will join the EU in inscribing a conditional emissions reduction target of 30 percent if others commit to cc  
SUMMARY.

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AMBASSADOR DISCUSSES CLIMATE WITH ENVIRONMENT MINISTER  
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2. (SBU) Ambassador delivered reftel points January 13 during her initial call on Environment Minister Jacqueline Cramer. Cramer said the EU s

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NETHERLANDS JOINS UK IN PUSH FOR 30 PERCENT EU COMMITMENT  
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3. (C) EmbOffs reinforced reftel points January 25 with the Dutch Foreign Ministry climate negotiator Sanne Kaasjager. He said the Netherlands

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ENTHUSIASM FOR COPENHAGEN ACCORD  
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4. (C) Kaasjager said the Netherlands considered the Copenhagen Accord a significant accomplishment. Specifically, he called the Accord a "bre

5. (SBU) The Dutch government is taking steps to convince developing countries to "associate with" the Accord. Kaasjager has drafted messages

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EU INTROSPECTION AFTER COP15  
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6. (C) According to Kaasjager, the Copenhagen endgame has  
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caused the EU to take a hard look at its role in climate talks. He was taken aback by the sight of European leaders (e.g., PM Brown and Chancel

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PATH FORWARD FOR CLIMATE TALKS  
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7. (SBU) In a word, Kaasjager said what emerged from Copenhagen was "pragmatism." More than ever, Dutch climate officials appreciate that clin

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FAST-TRACK FINANCING PIVOTAL  
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8. (SBU) Kaasjager was particularly concerned about bottlenecks in the flow of fast-track financing envisioned in the Copenhagen Accord. Withc  
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